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Treasure Valley Clean Cities Coalition Receives Designation

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The Treasure Valley Clean Cities Coalition will receive its official designation next week from the Department of Energy. Senator Mike Crapo, several Treasure Valley mayors and other state and local leaders including Water Resources director Karl Dreher, will participate in the event. Dreher will read a letter of congratulations on behalf of Gov. Jim Risch.

Clean Cities is a Department of Energy program designed to advance the nation's economic, environmental, and energy security by promoting alternative fuels and adopting local practices that contribute to the reduction of petroleum consumption. There are over 80 coalitions nationwide.

The Idaho Energy Division has long been involved in alternative fuels programs, entering into a partnership with the University of Idaho that resulted in the University being recognized as a worldwide pioneer and leader in alternative fuels research.

The director of the Department of Energy's Clean Cities Program will present the designation to the Coalition at a ceremony in Meridian.

When: Tuesday, August 29, 2006

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Where: Sanitary Services Co.

2130 W. Franklin Road (between Linder and Ten Mile)

Meridian, Idaho

The Treasure Valley Clean Cities Coalition is currently compromised of over 30 local stakeholders who agree to do their part to reduce the use of petroleum. Stakeholders include private business, city and state agencies, utilities, not for profit organizations, as well as individuals.

The ceremony is being held at Sanitary Services Co., a TVCCC stakeholder that has converted all vehicles to B20 biodiesel fuel and has a B20 pump on site.

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